

**Sauk Valley Community College
September 21, 2026**

Agenda Item 4.1.2

Topic: **Community College Baccalaureate**

Mission: **Sauk Valley Community College is dedicated to teaching and learning while creating opportunities by engaging the community in lifelong education, public service, and economic development.**

Presented By: **Dr. Jon Mandrell and Kim Ewoldsen**

Presentation:

Community college baccalaureate programs provide students with an affordable, accessible pathway to earn a bachelor's degree close to home. These programs are especially valuable in high demand fields where local employers need a skilled workforce. Efforts are underway in Illinois to expand community colleges' ability to offer these degrees. An update will be provided.